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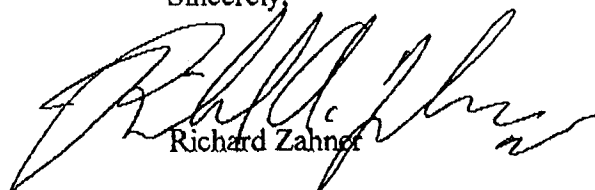
Dear Ms. Hesse:

I have been involved in the management of various aspects of the construction industry for many years in the Kansas City Area. Technology is playing a very significant role in our industry today.

We must do everything possible to promote the continued growth of technology. I believe we must end the litigation against Microsoft and proceed with the terms of the recent agreement between the Department of Justice and Microsoft.

This agreement will promote fair competition and serve the best interests of consumers throughout our country.

Sincerely,



Richard Zahner